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## Study Words for Fifth Graders

### 2016-2017

hooves	clients	daunted	thicket	tuition
funnel	tightrope	settee	naturalist	bedraggled
gravely	innocent	digestive	quashed	paisley
hiccups <i>or</i> hiccoughs performance	dignified	lounge	microscope	orchestra
specific	priority	marooned	cathedral	satchel
dowdy	delicate	poisonous	diligent	herring
indicate	applause	vinegar	auction	coronet
clause	bargain	moisture	sediment	precursor
failure	fortune	terrier	fervently	infuriating
biology	vocabulary	gymnastics	bushel	suet
hangar	caterpillar	vertical	clodhopper	forfeit
quality	wistfully	inlet	unappealing	partridge
saucepan	annual	botany	dandruff	arduous
invisible	beckon	linen	pensive	mastiff
classical	creation	esteem	gnarled	pauper
blurred	dumbwaiter	mildew	peculiar	armadillo
contestants	unbearable	gourd	cutlery	reggae
farfetched	cupboard	pitiful	equestrian	marionette
bemused	dimension	concise	oblivious	algae
	initials	perimeter	spatula	tortoise

This list includes 50 challenging fifth grade words and, to extend learning, 50 challenging sixth grade words. If you learn the spellings and meanings of these 100 words, you will be well prepared for a fifth grade classroom bee. If you would like to be well prepared for a school spelling bee, ask your teacher for the 450-word School Spelling Bee Study List.



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## Sources for Your Spelling Bee Study List

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## Where do my study words come from?

The Scripps National Spelling Bee is pleased to partner with presenting sponsor Kindle in creating a new kind of spelling bee study experience. Good words come from good books, and this year each word on the study list can be found in one of the exciting Kindle e-book titles listed below. Each of these books is available on Kindle e-readers as well as the Kindle app and is enabled with Word Wise to help spellers master the meanings of words while seeing them in context.

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## Kindle Key Features:

### Word Wise



Short and simple definitions within the context of the sentence automatically appear above difficult words to improve comprehension.

### Vocabulary Builder



Words looked up on Kindle are automatically turned into flashcards for future review and learning.

### Kindle FreeTime



Children can view their reading progress for each book, track reading accomplishments for each day and earn achievement badges for reaching milestones.

## Fifth Grade Source Books (the first 50 words may be found in these books):

- [\*Out of My Mind\*](#) by Sharon Draper
- [\*Howl's Moving Castle\*](#) by Diana Wynne Jones
- [\*Matilda\*](#) by Roald Dahl
- [\*The Candymakers\*](#) by Wendy Mass
- [\*Byrd & Igloo: A Polar Adventure\*](#) by Samantha Seiple
- [\*The Wonderful Wizard of Oz\*](#) by L. Frank Baum

## Sixth Grade Source Books (the last 50 words may be found in these books):

- [\*A Single Shard\*](#) by Linda Sue Park
- [\*The Evolution of Calpurnia Tate\*](#) by Jacqueline Kelly
- [\*A Wrinkle in Time\*](#) by Madeleine L'Engle
- [\*Peter and the Starcatchers\*](#) by Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson
- [\*The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Young Readers Edition\*](#) by William Kamkwamba
- [\*Little Lord Fauntleroy\*](#) by Frances Hodgson Burnett